IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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C.W.P NO. 14871 OF 2006

Date of decision : September 15, 2006

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Didar Steel Complex (P) Ltd. .....Petitioner

Vs.

Punjab State Electricity Board & anr. .....Respondents

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINEY MITTAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S BHALLA

Present: Mr. Sanjiv Bansal, Advocate for the petitioner(s).

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Viney Mittal, J. (Oral)

Notice of motion to the respondents.

On the asking of the Court, Sh. Sukhdip Singh Brar, Additional Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

A copy of the writ petition has been supplied to Mr. Brar by the learned counsel for the petitioner.

The petitioner-Company has approached this Court challenging the action of the respondent-Board in seeking to enforce “monthly minimum charges”. It has been claimed that in view of the prohibited use of electricity/imposition of cut in electricity supply for substantial hours in a

day, the monthly minimum charges could not have been levied.

From the perusal of the record, we find that various representations have been filed by the petitioners. One such representation dated September 11, 2006 has been appended as Annexure P-4 with the present writ petition.

In this view of the matter, without going into the merits of the claim made by the petitioner, we dispose of the present petition with a direction to the Secretary, Punjab State Electricity Board, Patiala-respondent no.1 to take a final decision on the aforesaid representation dated September 11, 2006 (Annexure P-4) within a period of one month from the date a certified copy of this order is received by passing a detailed and speaking order in this regard.

Copy of the order be given dasti on payment of the usual charges.

(VINEY MITTAL)
JUDGE

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